COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE 2006 INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN OF) CASE NO. EAST KENTUCKY POWER COOPERATIVE, INC.) 2006-00017

ORDER

On January 12, 2006, East Kentucky Power Cooperative, Inc. ("East Kentucky") submitted a motion for a waiver of the filing schedule for its 2006 integrated resource plan ("IRP"), as established in Administrative Regulation 807 KAR 5:058. For various reasons, East Kentucky requests an extension of time, from April 21, 2006 to October 21, 2006, in which to file its IRP with the Commission.

East Kentucky states that its Resource Planning Team, which has the primary responsibility for preparing the IRP, consisted of only one staff member at times during 2005 due to a retirement and a resignation of members of that team. East Kentucky states that a reorganization and consolidation of various planning functions within its organization are currently being considered, and that the hiring of additional staff may be delayed until that consideration has been completed. East Kentucky also points out that other regulatory matters, including formal Commission proceedings and less formal matters involving the federal Energy Information Administration and the Rural Utilities Service, have heavily involved the members of its Resource Planning Team.

After consideration of the motion and the request for waiver, and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds compelling reasons to warrant the extension of time requested by East Kentucky and to grant the request for waiver.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that East Kentucky's IRP, originally scheduled to be filed by April 21, 2006, shall be filed on or before October 21, 2006.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 17th day of February, 2006.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director